Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Management Board Meeting on 22 July 2019

Minutes

Attendance

Secretary General, Mr Feeney, Mr Moloney, Mr Cagney, Mr Lowry, Dr Fallon Byrne, Mr Howlin Ms Coleman, Ms McGirr, Mr Quinn, Mr Menton, Mr Downes, Ms Codd

Apologies

Mr Lowry, Ms Coleman, Ms Godkin

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 8 July

The minutes of the meeting on 8 July were agreed.

2. Events of the week – Minister's Diary

The Minister is away this week.

3. Government Agenda

The agenda for the upcoming Government meeting was noted.

4. Key Policy Issues / Events of the week

Mr Menton provided an update for the Pay and Pensions Division including the Pay Commission and Industrial Relations matters arising.

Mr Moloney updated the Board on the Labour Market and Enterprise Policy Division including pre-budget matters arising.

Mr Downes updated the Board on the Expenditure Policy and Reporting Division including expenditure policy and Health issues arising.

Dr Fallon Byrne provided an update for the Reform and Delivery Office, including the Public Service Innovation Fund, the EU Whistleblowing Directive and the Public Services 2020 Report.

Mr Cagney provided an update for the Civil Service Human Resources Division including the accrual of Flexi Leave, Learning and Development and Workforce Planning.

Mr Quinn updated the Board on the Office of Government Procurement including the HSE, guidance for legal cases and eTenders.

Mr Howlin updated the Board on the Expenditure Management, EU Policy and Audit Division including Brexit.

5. Upcoming Memoranda for Government

The list of planned Memoranda for Government from the Department was noted.

6. Workforce Planning 2020

Mr Menton advised the Board that the purpose of the paper circulated in advance of the meeting was to explore how the Department should reconcile resourcing needs with current and future divisional work programmes within the Departments headcount parameters. A number of issues for discussion were raised and these will be revisited in September when the Board reconvenes.

7. A.O.B

- Mid-Year update of Governance Calendar Noted
- Mid-Year update on Internal ICT Plan 2019- Noted

Next Meeting – 2 September at 11.00am